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Guidelines
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of Legislative Counsel

ATTENTION :

FROM :

Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT : Your Draft Memo Revising Procedures Concerning
the Select Committee on Assassinations

1. This Office has several comments to make concerning the present draft Revised Procedures for the Review of CIA Files by the Staff of the House Select Committee on Assassinations. While we appreciate the desire to expedite the Committee's investigation, it seems inadvisable to proceed on such a hurried basis when there are still several fairly important questions outstanding.

2. As pertains to this Office specifically, while we are prepared to draw a new secrecy agreement as needed, no one has determined authoritatively, to my knowledge, whether "another" secrecy agreement as mentioned in paragraph B of the draft, or even as described in your cover memo, refers to a second agreement, or whether the basic agreement which has already been signed by each staff member is to be replaced by a comparable version which runs to the DCI rather than the Committee.

3. In general:

a. Since several portions of this memorandum will work material changes to the original Memorandum of Understanding, (e.g., paragraph J), shouldn't this fact be stated; and shouldn't it be worded in terms which indicate an acknowledgment thereof by the Committee, if that is the case?

b. What is the "other sensitive" information referred to at the end of paragraph C?

c. What does paragraph H mean? Does it give the Agency veto power, if Agency interests are prejudiced?

cc: Don Gregg/SA/DO/O